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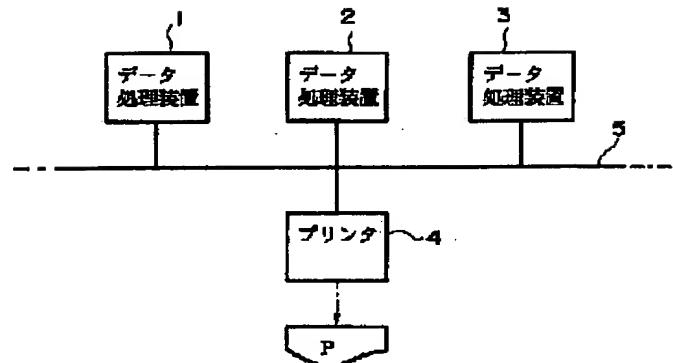
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ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To avoid troublesomeness in serial notification and to attain job efficiency of an input operation or the like by surely making it clear that all the printing completion from the serial same data processor in the data processors.

SOLUTION: This system is a network printer system for sharing a printer 4 where data processors 1 to 3 are connected in a local area network(LAN) 5 and any of the data processors 1 to 3 serially transmits printing data for demanding printing output to the printer 4 through the LAN 5. After the printer 4 performs printing output, a file of printing data of an address of any of the data processors 1 to 3 that serially performs the printing demand is retrieved and, if this file is had, a printing output completion notification is performed with any of these data processors 1 to 3 after all the printing outputs are completed. Any of the data processors 1 to 3 notifies of the printing output completion by a screen display, a sound output or a synthetic sound.

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